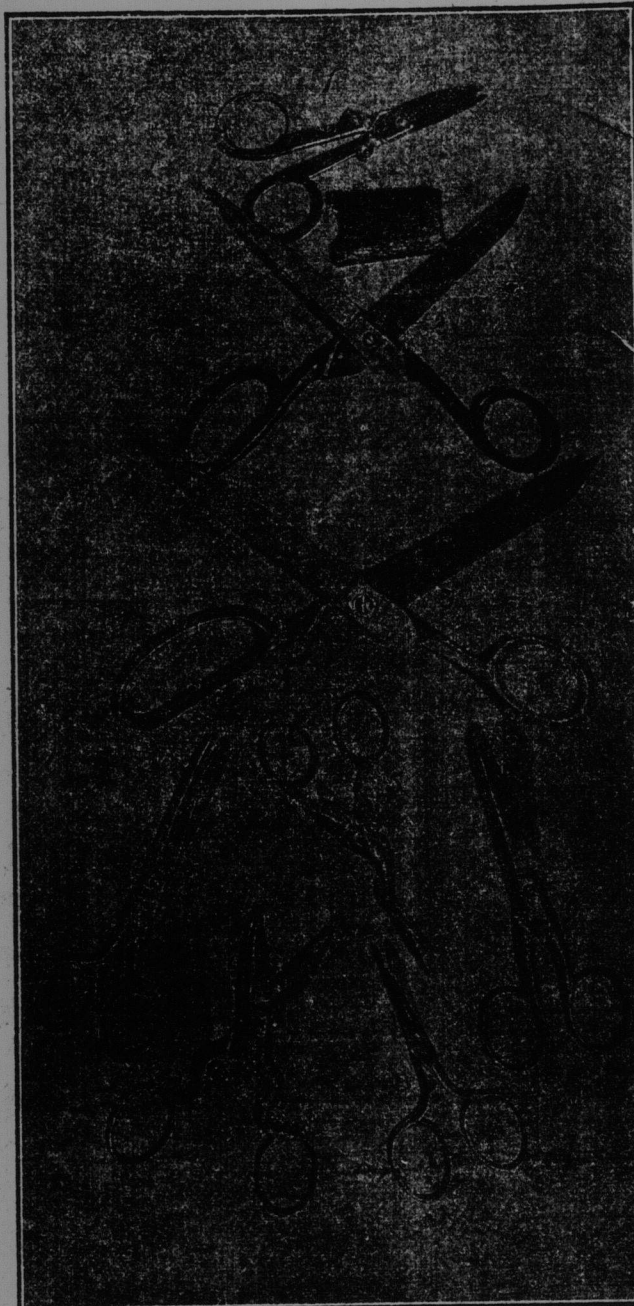


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OFFICIALS CLAIM VICTORY FOR ADMINISTRATION TICKET

Election of Trustees for Insurance Companies in New York Yesterday
Resembled That of One of the States of the Union — Large
Vote Cast

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Probably never before in the history of the country has there been anything to compare with the election in this city today of trustees for the New York Life and the Mutual Life Insurance Companies. In number of ballots cast and in the expenditure of time and money the election approached that of one of the states of the union. Certainly no corporation or society election ever measured up to it in magnitude or interest.

The total vote cast in both companies will approximate 800,000, of which about 500,000 will be in the New York Life, in which the contest has been more vigorously and more bitterly waged. It is expected that it will be weeks before the votes are counted and the results of the campaign known.

The Equitable Life Assurance Society, the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company and the Security Mutual of Birmingham, also held elections today, but as there were no opposition tickets in the field in these companies, the election of their administration tickets were but perfunctory proceedings.

Officials of both the New York Life and the Mutual Life Companies declared tonight that the administration tickets had without doubt been elected by large majorities.

The international policy holders' committee through Samuel Untermyer, its general counsel, expressed the conviction that the re-formed tickets would win in both companies, but by comparatively close margins.

While the ballots were being turned in at the companies' offices today the grand jury was investigating the affairs of the New York Life Insurance Company as brought out before the legislative investigating committee. District Attorney Jerome examined several witnesses, among whom were Edmund D. Randolph, treasurer of the New York Life, and his chief clerk, M. M. Matison. Both will be recalled.

William Nelson Cromwell of counsel for the New York Life Insurance Company, after the close of the election today issued a statement in which he said:

"The number of ballots received at the home office and delivered by the administration to the inspectors of election was 122,568, and the votes by proxy cast for the administration ticket were 113,000, making a total of 235,568. From the fact that the ballots in favor of the administration have generally been sent to the home office and those in favor of the international committee to the office of the latter it is reasonable to presume that at least from 80 to 90 per cent. of the ballots sent to the home office are in favor of the administration ticket, which makes a total administration vote of considerably over 250,000.

Both Mr. Untermyer and Mr. Scrugham, who cast the votes of the international committee stated under my public questioning upon the tender of their votes, that they did not know how many votes they were casting, and could not state. I make no comment upon this curious statement, but I have every reason to believe that the total vote of the international committee does not exceed 120,000. I believe that the administration ticket has been carried by 100,000 after making all allowances for errors and duplications."

Samuel Untermyer estimated that the united committee ticket of the Mutual Life would win out by a majority of about 18,000. Mr. Untermyer stated that 205,000 ballots were sent to the home office of the company by mail and otherwise, up to and including yesterday. Out of this amount he claims that 18 per cent. were defective. Mr. Untermyer said further that he believed that 30 per cent. of the remainder left after deducting the 18

per cent. for defectives, are votes cast for the united committee ticket.

According to his estimate this would leave 120,750 votes for the administration ticket plus 20,000 proxies which Mr. Untermyer claims were cast straight for the administration ticket. On the other hand he claims that the international committee cast exclusive of the above ballot 102,000 straight ballots for the united committee ticket, to which he adds \$1,750, the 30 per cent. of the votes cast at the home office less the deduction for defectives, 5,000 proxies which the committee votes for the united committee is added to the estimate for the united committee's ticket.

According to Mr. Untermyer's figures the united committee's ticket has received 120,750 votes while the administration ticket received 140,750.

KING EDWARD DELIGHTED WITH THOUGHT READERS

LONDON, Dec. 18.—King Edward was a guest at dinner tonight of Mr. and Mrs. William George Cavendish-Bentinck, where Agnes and John Zancig, thought-readers, whose performances at a music hall here is now the talk of London, gave an exhibit of King Edward himself entered with much zest into the performance and personally tested the powers of the readers. He expressed himself as amazed and delighted with their science and invited the Zancigs to Buckingham in order to enable Queen Alexandra to witness their powers. Other guests at the dinner and performance were Connelo, Dowager Duchess of Manchester and Walter Burns, who is engaged to marry Miss Evelyn Cavendish-Bentinck.

PROVIDENCE MAN KILLED BY I. C. R. TRAIN

ST. HYACINTHE, Que., Dec. 18.—Harry Donegan, Providence, R. I., was killed by the I. C. R. express here this morning at 8.20 o'clock.

He was hit by the train near the station, and besides being badly cut by his skull was fractured, death being instantaneous. He was about forty years of age and was identified by a letter found in his pocket.

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Price 25c.
Mayer's Rheumatism Cure
This is a new and powerful medicine for the relief of rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica, lumbago, etc. It is a sure cure in a few hours. Positively cures in a few days. It does not hurt the system, but drives it out of the system.

JOHN A. EDWARDS LOST HIS CASE

Judge Barker Decides He Was Defendant's Agent and Must Account for All Moneys Collected

In the case of George M. Pick v. John A. Edwards in equity court here yesterday morning, Mr. Justice Barker gave judgment for the plaintiff with costs.

The plaintiff filed a suit against the defendant to show accounting for business transacted in connection with certain properties in Fredericton belonging to plaintiff, for which defendant has been agent and trustee since 1889. The defendant claimed he was not agent and trustee for plaintiff but owned the property in question, consequently he had no right to render an account.

The case was tried at the November term of the equity court held at Fredericton, and involves the ownership of the building and lot on Queen street, occupied by Dugald McEachern. The property at one time belonged to the late James Mount and afterwards to his daughter, Miss Sarah Mount. The latter died in 1889 without a will, and since that date Mr. Edwards has looked after the property, collected the rents, etc. Mr. Pick claimed that Mr. Edwards was merely acting as his agent, and was able to prove at the trial that he had executed a power of attorney in Mr. Edwards' favor. His honor in his judgment evidently holds that the property rightfully belongs to Mr. Pick. The amount involved besides the property is in the neighborhood of \$1,000, which represents the accrued rentals for twenty-five years.

Mr. Edwards said yesterday that he would certainly appeal the case.

PRINCE ARTHUR AND THE SERVIAN THRONE

LONDON, Dec. 19.—In connection with the recent rumors of a plot to depose Prince Arthur of Connaught on the Servian throne, M. Mijatovich, ex-Servian minister in London, in a published interview, admits that twice within a year delegates from Belgrade have vainly endeavored to interest him in the proposal, asserting that King Peter would be induced to abdicate in favor of an English prince. M. Mijatovich says he declined to have anything to do with such a fantastic suggestion, but declares there is a definite political party in Servia favoring a change in the dynasty.

HIGH COURT I. O. F. TO MEET IN ST. JOHN

Next Annual Meeting to be Held in July — High Standing Committee Held Session Here Saturday

The high standing committee of the High Court of New Brunswick, I. O. F., met at the Royal Hotel last night. There were present H. W. Woods, of Welsford, high chief ranger; D. G. Lingsey, P. H. C. R., and Beverly Steeves, H. V. C. R., both of St. John; F. W. Emerson of Moncton, high chief secretary; E. P. Eastman of Petticoat, high treasurer; R. B. Hanson of Fredericton, high councillor.

Arrangements were made for the meeting of the next high court in this city during the first week of July next. Committees were appointed to make all necessary arrangements. A considerable amount of routine business was transacted.

The following resolution was unanimously passed:

"Resolved, That this meeting place on record our continued confidence in the honor, ability and integrity of our beloved supreme chief ranger, the Hon. Dr. Orin Hyatt, and that we most earnestly desire that the I. O. F. may long have the benefit of his wise and valued services."

During the evening the committee attended in a body the meeting of Court La Tour.

Holiday cigars, in boxes of ten, from 40c. to 75c. and \$1.00, at The Cigar Box, 52 Mill street.

The Maritime Hardware Association met yesterday afternoon, the following being present: T. C. Lee, of W. H. Thorne & Co.; Frederick H. Murray, of Emerson & Fisher; W. H. Smith, of Robertson, Foster & Smith; W. H. Stiers and Capt. T. Douglas of Halifax; Percy Simmonds of Dartmouth and E. K. Spiny of Yarmouth. Only routine business was taken up.

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that will treat a cold in a satisfactory manner, being soothing, warming, loosen the cough, and contain neither opium nor morphine.

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Good for return January 3rd, 1907.

MORE PRESENTS FOR E. R. CHAPMAN

Foresters Give Him a Gold Headed Cane
Travelling Bag and Valueable Pearl Pin

At the meeting of Court La Tour, I. O. F., last night, E. R. Chapman was presented with several gifts. On behalf of Court La Tour, Mr. E. Grass presented Mr. Chapman with a pearl pin. H. W. Woods, representing the high standing committee, which was meeting in the city, and the members of which were present at the meeting of Court La Tour, presented Mr. Chapman with a handsome travelling bag. For the central committee D. G. Lingsey gave him a gold-headed cane bearing the inscription: "I. O. F. to E. R. Chapman; St. John, N. B., December, 1906."

Several speeches were made expressing the warm esteem in which Mr. Chapman was held by the Foresters. Mr. Chapman replied suitably.

The election of officers resulted as follows: M. E. Grass, Chief Ranger; L. S. Peters, Vice Chief Ranger; H. H. Pickett, C.D.H.C.R.; Dr. G. A. Hetherington, Court Physician; J. E. Todd, Rec. Secretary; Frank T. Mur-phy, Pin. Secretary; Dr. Jas. Melvin,

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